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2 power of municipalities with respect to the amendment of
3 charters exists by virtue of Article 11(e) of the
4 Constitution, and that unless that is perpetuated in this
5 section, then between May 14, 1968, and the next session
6 of the legislature, the power of municipalities to amend
7 their charters, if not completely nonexistent, is at least
8 in grave doubt.

9 Is that your position?

10 DELEGATE CARSON: That is, Mr. Chairman,
11 and in the Hitchins case, I believe it is the Hitchins
12 case, it makes it clear to me in my reading of it, and
13 the Sobeloff Commission cited this case, that the power does
14 emanate from this, and this alone, and did not exist prior
15 to this being in 11(e).

16 THE CHAIRMAN: Further discussion?

17 Delegate Chabot.

18 DELEGATE CHABOT: May I ask a question of Dele-
19 gate Carson?

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Carson, do you yield
21 to a question?